

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1123

By Hill

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Carol Lynn Winston Kiener of Johnson City.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Carol Lynn Winston Kiener; and

WHEREAS, Carol Kiener was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for her fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, she served with acumen and alacrity as a teacher for thirty illustrious years, in which position she earned the respect of her peers and students alike for the exemplary quality of her work; and

WHEREAS, throughout her exceptional tenure as a teacher, Mrs. Kiener rendered sterling service to the public school systems of Iowa and California, as well as to Johnson City-area schools, including Keystone, North Side, North Central, Henry Johnson, and the Science Hill High School GED program; and

WHEREAS, an extremely talented and compassionate educator, Mrs. Kiener worked assiduously to motivate her students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, she attended East Tennessee State University's Aerospace and MATH CAPS workshops and was designated a Career Ladder 3 teacher by Governor Lamar Alexander; and

WHEREAS, demonstrating an unflagging commitment to helping her students better themselves, Mrs. Kiener taught in the Families First program at Keystone, assisting students in obtaining their GED's; additionally, she developed a conservation program and wrote many grants to support various programs in the Keystone community, was instrumental in developing

a multi-generational garden project which taught the students how to cook what they had grown, and partnered with General Shale to develop an outdoor learning center at Keystone; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards or accolades, Carol Kiener received the 1984 Conservation Teacher of the Year award for Washington County and Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, born on July 2, 1941, to the late Arthur Samuel and Edith Ann Reuler Winston, Carol Kiener received her Bachelor of Science degree in education from Drake University and her master's degree in reading from East Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, prior to commencing her career as a teacher, she worked as a social worker in Chicago, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, an active member of the Washington County Retired Teachers Association, Mrs. Kiener also contributed her time and talents to those noble causes closest to her heart, including the March of Dimes, for which she served as a member of the board of directors, and the Girl Scouts of America, for which she oversaw Camp Wildwood; and

WHEREAS, a public servant of the highest order, she rendered sterling service as a member of the Washington County Republican Women, the Washington County Historical Society, the Youth Council of Northeast Tennessee Workforce Investment Board, the Northeast Services Community Agency Board, and Governor Don Sundquist's Tennessee-Israeli Cooperation Commission; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Kiener was an active and devout member of B'nai Sholom Congregation in Bristol, which she served faithfully for many years as a religious school teacher and as a lifetime member of the Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, she was also deeply devoted to her family, and she always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Carol Kiener enjoyed the loving companionship of her husband of more than forty years, Judge John Leslie Kiener, whom she had known since the third grade, and was the proud mother of two daughters and two sons-in-law, Susan and Andrew Lobsenz and Gretchen and Paul Lewis; and

WHEREAS, she will be sorely missed by her brother, Jerome Winston; three grandchildren, Sarah and Michael Lobsenz and Campbell Rose Lewis; and a niece and nephew, Sarah and Matthew Downs; and

WHEREAS, she was committed to living her life to its fullest, and indulged her many hobbies, such as traveling, gardening, dancing, cooking, reading, and going to the Wellness Center; and

WHEREAS, Carol Kiener leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all her chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Carol Lynn Winston Kiener, reflecting fondly upon her impeccable character and her stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mrs. Kiener.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.